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Significance: The HIPAR equipment building was built in 1958 from standardized drawings approved by the Corps of Engineers. Nike buildings were considered modified emergency buildings. Originally, they were to be pre-fabricated structures, but were rather unsightly and did not contribute to troop morale and, therefore, were changed to modified emergency design.

Description: This building is a masonry structure containing 1,700 square feet. It has concrete footings, foundations, and floor, cinder block walls, a built-up roof, painted interior walls, a tile floor, restroom facilities, and electrical service. Engineering drawings located at the Chicago Corps of Engineers office indicate that there were three doors which led into the building. The welding classroom of the Beck Vocational School now occupies this building. Furthermore, this building is now also a part of the same larger auto mechanics and auto body shop building to which generator no. 2 (HAER No. IL-117-I) is attached.

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